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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **AS-0**  
**72881**  
**72882**  
**Amendment 2**

May 8, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**WHITTIER PARATRANSIT SERVICE AND  
EAST LOS ANGELES PARATRANSIT SERVICE  
PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN TRANSIT PROGRAM  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 4  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Approve amending Contract Nos. 72881 and 72882 with Southland Transit Inc., for the continued operation and management of the Whittier Paratransit Service, which provides paratransit services in the unincorporated areas of South San Gabriel, Whittier Islands, Hacienda Heights, and Rowland Heights; and the East Los Angeles Paratransit Service, which provides paratransit services in the unincorporated area of East Los Angeles to enable these contracts to continue on a month-to-month for up to six months starting July 1, 2003, while replacement contracts are solicited.
2. Authorize Public Works to encumber up to \$42,000 and \$48,000 monthly for Whittier and East Los Angeles Paratransit Services, respectively. Funds are included in Public Works' 2003-04 budget.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute the amendments.

## **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

On May 16, 2000, Synopsis 42, your Board approved Contract No. 72881 with this contractor for the operation and management of the Whittier Paratransit Service for eligible patrons of the unincorporated areas of South San Gabriel, Whittier Islands, Hacienda Heights, and Rowland Heights. On May 9, 2000, Synopsis 69, your Board approved Contract No. 72882 with this contractor for the operation and management of the East Los Angeles Paratransit Service for eligible patrons of the unincorporated area of East Los Angeles. These contracts were for an initial three-year period with two 1-year renewal options beginning July 1, 2000. The purpose of this action is for your Board to approve the continuation of the operation and management of these two paratransit services on a month-to-month basis starting July 1, 2003, for up to six months while replacement contracts are solicited. This early resolicitation has been necessitated due to the contractor declining to renew the current contracts for the first-option year and to include the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Program in these contracts. The contractor cited increased insurance and fuel cost as reasons for not renewing. As permitted under the Chief Administrative Officer's Implementation Instructions for the Jury Service Program, we negotiated the proposed month-to-month service with the contractor to ensure continuation of the services while new contracts are solicited. When proposals have been received and evaluated, we will recommend contract awards for continuous provision of these paratransit services.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Organizational Effectiveness. These amendments will continue to utilize this contractor's expertise to effectively provide these paratransit services in a timely and cost-effective manner as well as improve the quality of life in the County.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The cost for the Whittier Paratransit Service is estimated to be \$42,000 per month, at an hourly rate of \$34.11. For the East Los Angeles Paratransit Service the cost is estimated to be \$48,000 per month, at an hourly rate of \$32.69. The amendments will increase contractor's monthly rate by a three percent cost-of-living adjustment. There will be no impact on net County costs. Funds are available in Supervisorial Districts 1 and 4 Proposition A Local Return Transit funds included in the Transit Enterprise Fund administered by Public Works.

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**FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Prior to execution by the Director of Public Works, the enclosed sample amendment will be properly signed by the contractor and approved as to form by County Counsel

The amendments will continue the contracts' current terms, specifications, and conditions.

**CONTRACTING PROCESS**

None.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Continues the current services.

**CONCLUSION**

One approved copy of this letter is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor has caused this Contract to be executed by its duly authorized officers, and by the County of Los Angeles on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Director of Public Works

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LLOYD W. PELLMAN  
County Counsel

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

SOUTHLAND TRANSIT INC.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Dave Daley, Chief Operating Officer

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Gerald N. Walker, Secretary